AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended) A circuit board connector <u>formed by cutting a conductive</u>

<u>plate material provided with plating layers on front and back sides thereof, said circuit board</u>

<u>connector[[,]] comprising:</u>

a main body portion[[,]];

a first connecting portion for connection to a first circuit board[[,]]; and

a second connecting portion for connection to a <u>terminal connecting socket of a second</u> circuit board, <u>the second connecting portion being positioned in the terminal connecting socket</u>, <u>characterized in that:</u>

wherein the second connecting portion of the circuit board connector is obtained formed by cutting a conductive plate material provided with plating layers on front and back sides thereof and thereafter forming the second connecting portion into a shape having an annular transverse cross section in such a manner that cut surfaces at both edges of the second connecting portion oppose each other, so that one of the plating layers may form [[forms]] an outer circumferential surface of the second connecting portion and be connected to the terminal connecting socket.

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Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (currently amended) The circuit board connector according to claim [[2]] 1, characterized in that wherein a gap is provided between the cut surfaces at both edges of the second connecting portion that oppose each other.

Claim 4 (currently amended) The circuit board connector according to claim 3, characterized in that wherein a lead portion is provided between the main portion and the second connecting portion, and the lead portion is subjected to a bending process for reinforcement.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The circuit board connector according to claim 4, characterized in that wherein in the bending process is such as to form the lead portion is formed to have an O-shaped or C-shaped transverse cross section.

Claim 6 (currently amended) A circuit board connector, comprising a first connecting portion for connection to a first circuit board and a second connecting portion connected to a second circuit board, characterized in that:

wherein the circuit board connector is obtained by cutting a conductive plate material provided with plating layers on front and back sides, and thereafter forming the second connecting portion so as to have an annular transverse cross section and bending the second connecting portion

so that cut surfaces are located inside the annular cross-sectional shape.

Claim 7 (currently amended) The circuit board connector according to claim 6, characterized in that wherein the circuit board connector comprises a lead portion between the main body portion and the second connecting portion, and the lead portion is subjected to a bending process.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The circuit board connector according to claim 7, characterized in that wherein in the bending process is such as to form the lead portion is formed to have an O-shaped or C-shaped transverse cross section.

Claim 9 (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an electronic apparatus, characterized by comprising: mounting an electronic device furnished with a first circuit board to which the first connecting portion of the circuit board connector according to claim 1 is connected, uprightly onto a second circuit substrate arranged in the electronic apparatus.

Claim 10 (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an electronic apparatus, characterized by comprising: mounting an electronic device furnished with a first circuit board to which the first connecting portion of the circuit board connector according to claim 6 is connected, uprightly onto a second circuit substrate arranged in the electronic apparatus.